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SUBJECT: SECURITY COUNCIL: BENIN COMPLAINT

1. WITH WHAT FRENCH MISOFF LATER ACKNOWLEDGED IN CONFIDENCE
TO HAVE BEEN FRENCH ENCOURAGEMENT, PERMREPS OF IVORY COAST
AND MOROCCO CALLED SEPARATELY ON SC PRESIDENT YOUNG,
AFTERNOON, MARCH 23.

2. IVORY COAST PERMREP AKE STRESSED THAT THERE HAD BEEN NO
IVORY COAST INVOLVEMENT IN BENIN QUESTION, AND THAT GOIC
HAD PROTESTED RADIO BENIN BROADCAST WHICH CHARGED IVOIRIEN
GUILT. AKE SAID THAT IVORY COAST KNOWS WHO IS RESPONSIBLE
FOR THE WHOLE MATTER -- GUINEA. IVORY COAST HAS GOOD
RELATIONS WITH BENIN AND DOES WANT TO APPEAR IN SC OVER
THIS MATTER; HOWEVER, IF QUESTION CANNOT BE SETTLED ELSEWHERE
AND IF IVORY COAST IS ATTACKED BY NAME, IVORY COAST WILL
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DEFEND ITSELF IN SC.

3. AKE ALSO EXPRESSED SUPPORT FOR A PEACEFUL SOLUTION
IN SOUTHERN AFRICA, CONVEYED SATISFACTION WITH PRESIDENT
CARTER'S STATEMENT TO UN, FOR WHICH HE SAID HE HAD
RETURNED FROM ABIDJAN, AND INVITED AMB YOUNG TO VISIT
IVORY COAST.

4. MOROCCAN PERMREP BENGELLOUN SAID THAT MOROCCO ALSO
WAS INNOCENT OF ANY INVOLVEMENT IN BENIN: WHOLE MATTER
REPRESENTED A "CONSPIRACY" BY "COMMUNIST" AFRICAN
COUNTRIES, E.G., ALGERIA, LIBYA, AND BENIN, AGAINST
"MODERATE" AFRICAN COUNTRIES, E.G., GABON, IVORY COAST,
SENEGAL AND MOROCCO. MOROCCO IS WILLING TO SUPPORT
CONDEMNATION OF MERCENARIES BUT, IF ATTACKED BY NAME,
WOULD RISE TO DEFEND SELF IN SC.
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